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Applicant: JAMES E. HILDRETH

Title: MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES AGAINST LEUKOCYTE ADHESION

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AND USE THEREFORE

This is a request for filing a **continuation** application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b), of prior U.S. application Serial No. 09/197,318, filed on November 20, 1998, now pending.

The prior application is assigned of record to Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, a Maryland corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office recorded on July 27, 1998 at 5105/0348.

Enclosed are the following papers, including all those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR § 1.53(b):

	Pages
Specification	25
Claim(s)	4
Abstract	1
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Enclosures:

- Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages);
- Form PTO-1449 (filed in the parent application, 1 page);
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Under 35 USC § 120, this application is a continuation and claims the benefit of prior U.S. Application Serial No. 09/197,318, filed November 20, 1998, which is a divisional of application Serial No. 08/598,095, filed on February 7, 1996, now issued as U.S. Patent No. 5,888,508 on March 30, 1999, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/200,491, filed February 22, 1994, now abandoned, which is a divisional application of U.S. patent application Serial No. 08/063,063, filed May 20, 1993, now abandoned, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 07/917,530, filed July 20, 1992, now abandoned, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 07/742,471, filed August 2, 1991, now abandoned, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 07/361,271, filed June 2, 1989, now abandoned. The disclosures of the prior applications are considered part of and are incorporated by reference in the disclosure of this application.

Cancel in this application original claims <u>1-7 and 18-23</u> of the prior application and claims <u>8-17</u> are pending. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)

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